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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 29, 2004, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of Species I. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 and 10 as originally filed read thereon. Applicant has amended claims 4, 5, 13, and 14 herein so that all of the pending claims now depend from either claim 1 or claim 10. Applicant reserves the right to reintroduce the amended claims as originally filed in one or more divisional applications.